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President Delivers Vidhana Soudha Diamond Jubilee Speech

Bengaluru, Oct. 25 (KMS& BCT)- It's celebration time at Vidhana Soudha, the majestic building that towers over Bengaluru with President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurating its Diamond Jubilee celebrations and also addressing the Special Joint Session of the Legislature this morning.

Addressing the law makers, President Kovind said that it was a memorable day for Parliamentary Democracy both for the country and for him. "It is truly memorable for me as I had taken oath as President of India in the presence of both Houses of Parliament on this very day, three months ago i.e. 25th July, 2017," he said.

The President said, "Legislators are both public servants as well as nation builders. Anybody who performs his or her duties with honesty and dedication is a nation builder. Those who maintain this building are also nation builders. Those who provide it security are nation builders too. It is by the efforts of ordinary citizens who diligently carry out everyday tasks, that nations are built. As you sit and work in this Vidhana Soudha, I am confident you will never forget this and will continue to draw inspiration from it," he said.

Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council must function as sacred temples of democracy, says President Ram Nath Kovind

"Let us make this Diamond Jubilee not just the celebration of a proud past but a commitment to an even greater future. A future for Karnataka and a great future for India," he added.

Democracy and elections

Dwelling on democracy and elections, Kovind said, "A rival in an election is a political competitor, not an enemy..."

(See PRESIDENT on page 8)

JD(S) to boycott dinner at Vidhana Soudha tonight

Dinner costs Rs. 3,000 per plate!

Hassan, Oct 25- Taking a strong stand against the extravagant budget for the celebrations to mark the iconic Vidhana Soudha turning 60, JD (S) legislators will have only a glass of water and no dinner at the event planned by the Government in Bengaluru today.

Party senior leader H.D. Revanna said when farmers were having such a hard time it would be inappropriate for MLAs to have a lavish dinner costing Rs 3,000 a plate. "We want the money being spent on this lavish dinner to be used for the welfare of farmers, who run their homes on a budget of Rs. 3,000 a month," he asserted.

Revanna revealed that the party's decision not to allow its legislators to have dinner at Vidhana Soudha, had been conveyed to the Legislature Secretary.

"Our legislators will not claim any TA/ DA either for attending the celebration nor accept any gold or silver biscuits that may be distributed on the occasion," he declared, explaining that his party MLAs were attending the celebrations at Vidhana Soudha only in honour of the President.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	114.00 ft
Yesterday	114.24 ft
Inflow	1,620 cusecs
Outflow	4,517 cusecs
Last year on this date	81.74 ft

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,857.05 ft
Inflow	565 cusecs
Outflow	845 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,282.25 ft
Inflow	600 cusecs
Outflow	500 cusecs

Gujarat Assembly polls

on Dec. 9, 14; counting on Dec. 18

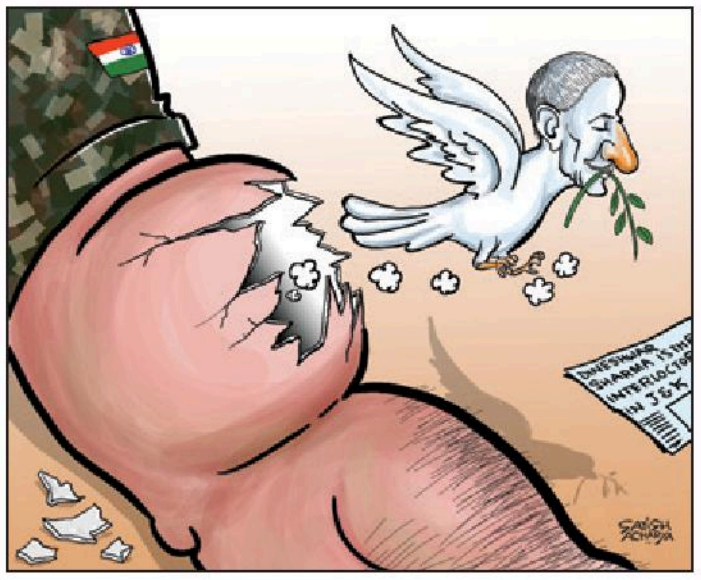
New Delhi, Oct. 25 - The Election Commission announced the dates for the Gujarat Assembly elections this morning. The polls will be held in two phases in December. The EC has faced criticism from opposition parties for not announcing the dates for Gujarat polls along with Himachal Pradesh.

Addressing reporters at the Election Commission Office in New Delhi, Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) A.K. Joti announced that first phase poll will be held on Dec. 9 and second phase on Dec. 14. Counting will be held on Dec. 18 and the results will be declared the same day. "The Model Code of Conduct will be applicable from now and Rs. 28 lakh is the ceiling of expenditure for candidates. Candidates will have to open separate account and use that for elections," the CEC said. 50,128 polling booths will be set up and there will be CCTVs at border check-posts. There will be 102 all-women polling stations for the polls, he added.

When asked why there was a delay in announcing the poll dates for Gujarat, the CEC said it was due to unprecedented rains.

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.

Mysuru, Wednesday 25th October 2017

Motherland's million minorities

Craving for recognition by certain sections in the land's mass of an estimated 135 crore people as *minorities* has caught up with yet another section in a well-marked sect. The demand by this fraternity with a considerably *high* headcount, which began on a quiet note recently has lately assumed the dimensions of a public rage, even the pontiffs at Ashrams where their agitating followers gather for spiritual pursuits have jumped into the fray, even as there are yet no signs of response from administration indicating either yielding or dodging. While the minority tag has got stuck to the backs of the land's people following a certain faith for all these nearly seven decades since January 26, 1950, the day the Nation's Constitution emerged as the country's *Magna Carta* as it were, guiding the administration, barring the distortions dictated by expediency suiting the parties commanding clout.

Even as the people at large often hear voices from public speakers of various hues who are enjoying privileges extended to *backward* classes, purely based on castes, raising the soul-stirring slogan as it were for a *casteless-classless* society, more sections of various castes continue to clamour for the OBC (Other Backward Classes) badge. The land may have already witnessed its population standing divided into million *minorities*.

The nation's population, commonly described as a combo of sections following different faiths with their headcount expressed as percentage of the total population, marks Hindus accounting for some 80 per cent or so, even as the term *Hindu* is not unanimously accepted as connoting a *religion*. People of Christian faith mainly comprise Protestants, Roman Catholics and Syrian Christians, Jains as Shwethambara and Digambara, Muslims as Shia and Sunni, Buddhists and Sikhs too coming under more than one denomination. We are currently hearing from some quarters that Lingayats and Veerashaivas don't fall under one-faith umbrella, Hindus.

In the light of the foregoing preamble, given its lay style, according *minority* status to every conceivable section, however small numerically, stands to reason and logic. That done, *some of the sections* in the population to be declared freshly as minority, but sidelined in the present dispensation, should have no reason to complain.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

By and large, women are more intelligent and rational than men. However, there's one area where they seem to lose their rationality: clothes. Or rather, shopping for clothes. Let loose in a clothes store, women will shop not till they drop, but till their accompanying menfolk drop, out of sheer exhaustion. When confronted with clothes to buy, women appear to lose not just all sense of time and tiredness, but all sense, period. Minor biological distractions, like the need to eat, or use the loo, go out of the window. Clothes – of all styles, shapes and sizes – become the single, all-consuming passion. Men seldom go clothes shopping. More often than not their moms, wives, or live-in partners buy their clothes for them. But when men do go to buy clothes for themselves, they keep it short and simple: In nature, the female of the species is generally less flamboyant than the male. The peacock's resplendent plumage is in sharp contrast to the dowdy feathers of the peahen. In humans, there has been a gender role reversal, and women wear the pants – metaphorically and literally – when it comes to matters of dress. And it all began long ago, when Eve got Adam his first fig leaf to cover up his wardrobe male-function.

— Jug Suraiya in The Times of India.

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man lives atop coconut tree for three years

Sucre: A 47-year-old man from La Paz, in the Agusan del Sur province of the Philippines, had last felt solid ground under his feet in 2014, before climbing a 60-foot-tall coconut tree near his house. He had never come down since, and would have probably stayed atop the tree till the end of his days, had authorities not rescued him by force recently.

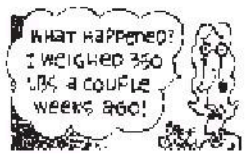
The man, identified as Gilbert Sanchez, had apparently left his home to live atop a nearby coconut tree three years ago, after being hit on the head with a gun, during an altercation. And he survived having food and water his mother brought him every day, which he would pull up in his tree haven with an improvised rope. On Oct. 11, a team of 50 people along with Gilbert's family tried convincing him to come down voluntarily, one more time, after which they started cutting down the coconut tree with a chainsaw. Finally Gilbert was once again on solid ground, after three long years.

Incredible Promise!

Lansing: 21-year-old Michael Zydel broke the rules of his probation for DUI and assault charges, which prompted the Police department in Redford Township to post an appeal to their *Facebook* followers to assist them in locating him and bringing him to justice. Zydel, who goes by "Champagne Torino" on *Facebook,* who replied to the post, saying that he wasn't to worried about it and challenging Police to get at least 1,000 shares on their next post if they wanted him to turn himself in. "I'm not worried about it," Zydel wrote. "If your next post gets 1,000 shares I'll turn myself in with a dozen doughnuts and that's a promise. "And I'll pick up every piece of litter around your public schools." After news of it went viral online, the police managed to get over 4,000 shares on their post. On Monday, Oct. 6, the wanted man showed up at the Redford PD headquarters with a bag of donuts in hand, prompting the department to write "Zaydel made good on his promise to turn himself in to RTPD for his outstanding warrants.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What are the most common warning signs of cancer?



Cancer warning signs include: Sudden unexplained weight loss, coughing up blood, blood in feces of urine, or a lump in the side of the neck, armpit, groin, breast or anywhere else in the body.

**Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Guruvayoor temple to allow non-Hindus?

Guruvayoor (Kerala), Oct. 25 - With the chief priest of the famed Guruvayoor Sree Krishna Temple of Kerala asking the State Government to take the initiative to allow entry of non-Hindus, leading political parties have expressed their support for the move and the State Government has decided to take it forward.

CPI-M State Secretary Kodiyeri Balakrishnan said that they heard with happiness the statement of Tantri (Dineshan Nampoothiri) on allowing entry to non-Hindus, who are believers.

According to the rules and regulations of the famed temple, entry is barred to non-Hindus and in case the entry of a non-Hindu comes to attention, then a purification ceremony is conducted by the temple authorities.

Thrissur MP and CPI leader C.N. Jayadevan said one reason why the Devasom authorities are not very keen to take this forward is fear of inviting unnecessary wrath for changing the rules.

"Popular singer Yesudas should be allowed entry to the temple," said Jayadevan. Yesudas for long has been waiting to enter the temple, but it has not materialised so far. He has rendered a few songs on the temple in films.

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VOICE OF THE READER

Why I resigned as President of MUTA: A clarification

'MUTA is not a dead body to revive'

Sir,

This is in response to the letter written by my good friend Prof. B. Shivaraj under the heading ***"Plea to revive MUTA"*** *(SOM* dated Oct. 21). When I took over as the President of Mysore University Teachers Association (MUTA) it had already become a very weak body. We tried to revive it despite attempts to weaken or marginalise MUTA both from within and without.

MUTA did many things to teachers — it helped more than 250 teachers to get promotions under CAS; helped teachers to get their long-pending UGC arrears; even it succeeded in stalling University Amendment Act brought out by the then BJP government as it would have taken away the autonomy of the University; helped in getting SBM ATM and SBM branch in the campus.

MUTA came out with teachers' manifesto to political parties during election time; participated in Cauvery agitation as well as agitation against killing of Dr. M.M. Kalburgi.

But when MUTA was not extended the centenary celebration invitation, I as President did not attend any programme for one year except one (inaugural). It was part of our resistance against the University's attempt to marginalise MUTA.

Even after resigning I have tried to get retirement age extended to 65. **In fact, I was too tired of internal politics of MUTA. Despite my best efforts, MUTA was falling prey to such politics Hence, I resigned.** Former VC Prof. K.S. Rangappa's issue was incidental.

In the immediate context, the advice of the former Advocate General to MUTA from passing any resolution on Prof. Rangappa's issue as it would become contempt of court did not receive the mandate in the GBM. **To save MUTA from contempt of court I had to quit.** This is a democratic procedure of resigning.

Even one year before resigning I had expressed my desire to step down from Presidentship. I had requested the Secretary to call a GBM and conduct election. Unfortunately, it was not done. God alone knows the reason. In fact, MUTA is not a dead body to revive.

—Prof Muzaffar Assadi
Former President, MUTA
Mysuru
22.10.2017

Skill training at GTTC

Mysuru, Oct. 25- The Government Tool Room and Training Centre (GTTC), Mysuru, will be conducting free skill development programme under the Chief Minister's Kaushalya Karnataka Programme at Plot. No. 93-94, Belagola Industrial Area, KRS Road here.

Unemployed youths (men and women) having passed SSLC, ITI, Diploma, BE will be provided training in turner, miller, grinder, metrology, CNC, machine programme and operation, computer design skills among others. Turner and CAD Cam will be given only to SC candidates.

For details, contact Mob: 91416 29598 or 91416 29594.

'GST will boost nation's economy'

H.N. Nagaraj, Chairman, Institute of Education Trust (IET), seen lighting the lamp during the inauguration of the workshop at Basudev Somani College in city yesterday as (from left) ***Prof. N.S. Venugopal, Company Secretary Manjunath, Dr. B. Nagaraju, Chairman, Department of Studies in Commerce, UoM, Dr. M. Puttasamy, Managing Trustee and Dr. M. Mahadevaiah, Principal, look on.***

Mysuru, Oct. 25- The Department of Commerce and Management, Basudev Somani College, Kuvempunagar, had organised a one-day workshop on *"The Anatomy of Goods and Services Tax"* in association with Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI), Mysore Chapter, at the College auditorium yesterday.

The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. B. Nagaraju, Chairman and Associate Professor, Department of Studies in Commerce, University of Mysore.

Speaking on the occasion, he said that GST, one of the greatest economic reforms implemented from 1st July 2017, will boost the nation's economy in future.

CS Manjunath, Secretary, ICSI, Mysore Chapter, who delivered the keynote address, highlighted the Companies Act, 2013 and Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, said to be major legislations which impacting Indian economy in a greater extent. He also emphasised the significance of GST in present era.

On the occasion, the college annual magazine *"Sambhram:2016-17"* was released by H.N. Nagaraj, Chairman and Management Trustee of Institute of Education Trust (IET).

Briefing about GST mechanism, he insisted that the professionals and practitioners need to resolve issues concerning GST at the earliest.

Dr. M. Puttaswamy, Managing Trustee of IET, dwelt on the shortcomings that existed in earlier taxation policy. Dr. M. Mahadevaiah, Principal, Basudev Somani College, presided.

Manjunath and Veeresh from ICSI, Mysore Chapter, were the resource persons at the workshop.

Dr. M. Girishkumar, Assistant Professor, was the Coordinator. R.Abhay, Assistant Professor, proposed a vote of thanks.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption

Owing to emergency maintenance works, power supply will be disrupted in the following areas tomorrow (Oct.26) between 10 am and 5 pm: Industrial Area, Vishweshwaranagar, Vidyaranyapuram, Mandandavadi Road, NIE College, SJS Road, Mahalakshmi Sweets, JLB Road, Ramakrishna Hospital, Vidyaranyapuram Post Office, Silk Factory, CSRITE Quarters, Five Light Circle, Tulasi Hospital, Nanjumalige Circle, Shantala Circle, Lakshmipuram, Jain Bhavan, Kakalavadi and surrounding places.

International meeting

The Department of Studies (DoS) in Biotechnology, Microbiology and Biochemistry, Pooja Bhagavat Memorial Mahajana Education Centre, PG Wing of Mahajana First Grade College, KRS Road, Metagalli, has organised a one-day international meeting on 'Genomic instability and cancer' at MTA auditorium tomorrow (Oct. 26). The meeting will be inaugurated at 10.30 am in the presence of Dr. A.G. Rajeev, Radiation Oncologist and Medical Director, The Radiant Institute, Mysuru, as the chief guest. The event is sponsored by The Company of Biologists, Cambridge, UK.

Free screening camp

Avati L. Ramasheshaiah and Lakshmi Devamma Clinic of Narayana Multi-speciality Hospital has organised a free bone and joints screening camp at #80/1, Vinoba Road, near State Bank of Mysore, Shivarampet, on Oct.26 between 10 am and 3 pm. For details, contact Mob: 88847-44144.

Workshop

The Horticulture Department of Zilla Panchayat has organised a District-level Workshop on Scientific Rearing of Bees (Apiculture) on Oct. 27 at 10.30 am at Jaganmohan Palace. District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa will inaugurate the programme. MLA Vasu will preside.

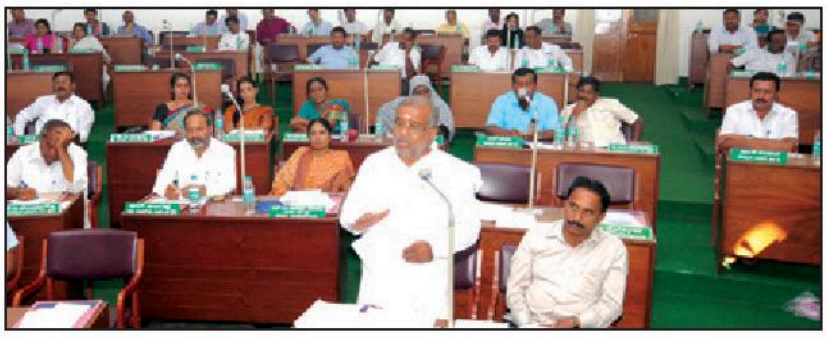
Pratibha Puraskar

Masjid-e-Mubeen, N.R. Mohalla, has convened its 3rd Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) and Pratibha Puraskar programme for meritorious students of SSLC and PUC and also toppers of Maktab-e-Mubeen exam at its premises on Nov.12 (Sunday) at 5 pm after Namaz-e-Asar.

Career guidance

QDP Technologies on Panchamantra Road, Kuvempunagar, will be organising 'Udyog-2017,' a free career guidance programme at its premises at 10.30 am on Oct.28. Job aspirants who have passed SSLC, PUC, ITI, Diploma and Degree can take part in the programme. For details, contact Ph: 0821-4288811 or 2560268.

Council Advisory Committee formed to bring layouts within Ring Road into MCC limits



Mayor M.J. Ravikumar chairing a Council meeting at Nalwadi Krishanraja Wadiyar auditorium yesterday. He is flanked by Deputy Mayor Ratna Lakshman and MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha. Picture right shows MLA G.T. Devegowda addressing the meeting.

Mysuru, Oct 25 (SBD&NNN)- The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) at its Council meeting decided to prepare a Comprehensive Plan Report to include all the layouts coming inside the Ring Roads into MCC limits.

The Council meeting held at Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar auditorium yesterday was chaired by Mayor M.J. Ravikumar and there was a lengthy discussion on the subject based on the reports collected by various MCC Zonal Offices regarding the inclusion of layouts outside the Corporation limits and coming inside the Ring Road limits.

Chamundeshwari Constituency MLA G.T. Devegowda (GTD) suggested for the constitution of an Advisory Committee. After hearing to the advise and suggestions of the members, Ravikumar announced a Committee consisting of people's representatives and officials.

The Council Advisory Committee will include Legislators, MUDA, Gram Panchayat members and PDOs, Zilla Panchayat President and CEO, and Corporators of the respective Wards.

The Mayor directed the MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha to prepare a Comprehensive Plan Report, get the funds sanctioned from the Department concerned for necessary expenditure and send a proposal to the Government for the special Grants.

Detailed Discussion: In the light of the oral instructions from the Chief Minister Siddharamaiah regarding the inclusion of layouts within the Ring Road limits into the Corporation, the information was gathered from the respective Zonal Offices and presented in the Council. Since the report consisted only of Survey Nos and the limits, the members urged for more information. They felt that it should also have included the names of the layouts and under which Gram Panchayat limits they come under.

Reacting to this, Commissioner Jagadeesha said that out of the 62 layouts coming under the MCC limits, 42 extensions had been proposed to be transferred from MUDA to the Corporation and the Government had directed for the Gazette Notifications of these layouts. In the light of this, MUDA and MCC had jointly conducted a survey and submitted a report to the Government.

GTD speaking at this juncture pointedly said that instead of a discussion on the subject other layouts could also have been included and added that in the majority of the layouts there were no basic facilities.

The 13th Ward Corporator Kempanna said that when it rains, his Ward will be completely flooded. It has not been possible to provide all facilities to the 65 Wards in the Corporation limits. And, once the Bruhat Mysuru Nagara Palike becomes a reality, then God only should help us, he sighed.

Many of the Corporators suggested that before the layouts are included in the Corporation limits a proper survey and inspection must be done and suitable decisions taken.

Violation of Master Plan: Earlier, Corporator Prashanth Gowda pointed out the violation of Master Plan of the City Central Bus Stand. Violating the Master Plan, shops had been constructed inside the bus stand. Even though the Corporation Standing Committee had submitted a report in this regard, no action had been taken. Is there an unseen hand of the officials or a few Corporators, he wondered.

Background to the meeting: It may be recalled that in the backdrop of Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) handing over nearly 40 extensions to the MCC recently, a serious thought was going on in the Corporation to take over all the extensions coming within the Ring Road limits. Hence, this meeting was called for yesterday.

A few of the layouts do not come under MCC limits but still they are voters who vote in the civic elections. This is causing a huge headache to the Corporators.

"On humanitarian grounds, basic facilities are being provided to the layouts that come within the Ring Road limits. But, according to the documents majority of the layouts are under the Gram Panchayat limits. Even though they are getting all the facilities from MCC, they are paying their taxes to the local Gram Panchayats. Hence, the MCC is suffering huge losses," Mayor M.J. Ravikumar had said speaking to *Star of Mysore*.

GTD lays bare problems in his Constituency under Corporation limits

Mysuru, Oct. 25 (SBD&NNN)- Chamundeshwari Constituency MLA G.T. Devegowda (GTD) gave very useful suggestions at the Council meeting here yesterday regarding the inclusion of layouts within the Ring Road limits into the Corporation.

The extensions should be fully developed and then transferred to the Corporation or the necessary expenses for developing the layouts should be remitted to the Corporation. Otherwise, the citizens will have to undergo untold hardships, he said.

A very good example for this is the Vijayanagar 3rd Stage. Basic facilities have not been provided to Ashraya houses in Shankerlingegowda Nagar. Ashraya houses constructed in the Corporation limits, all come under Chamundeshwari Constituency. However, without drinking water, garbage clearance and street lights, the residents are suffering a lot, said GTD.

According to the oral order of the Government, the Corporation has come forward to include the layouts within Ring Roads into its limits. But, a Comprehensive Layout Plan has not been prepared. Alanahalli, Hootagalli, Srirampura, Hinkal and a few other layouts have been included. However, a number of Layout names have been left out and there is lack of complete information, he said and added that a meeting of all the former Mayors should be called and opinions taken. An Engineering team should once again conduct a survey and prepare a Comprehensive Layout Plan by taking a scientific approach.

Along with it all the layouts should have Cauvery or Kabini water, he suggested.

Since the Chief Minister himself has orally directed, report on the funds required for development should be prepared and the Government should be urged to sanction it. An estimate for the development should be prepared and a proposal should be sent for Special Grant of Rs. 100 crore, he advised.

Lauded: BJP Corporator Shivakumar lauded the suggestions of GTD and all the Corporators voiced their praise by thumping the desks. There was also a feeling among the members that it was due to the upcoming elections that GTD was trying to impress the people. However, in the interest of the Corporation and the people, he has given valuable suggestions, lauded the Corporators.

A resident of Garudachar Layout in Vijaynagar 3rd Stage told *SOM* that in fact they held a meeting of the residents on Oct. 15. The meeting discussed the untold hardships the residents of this Layout, which comes under Hinkal Gram Panchayat, were facing.

"If only the MCC takes over our layout, we are ready to pay the Corporation taxes. But all we demand is asphalted roads, and Cauvery water for drinking," said Manjunath, a resident of first main of this Layout.

Mission-2024: BJP Raitha Morcha to hold mega convention in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Oct.25(SPN&DM)- As part of its Mission-2024 aimed at making Mysuru a chemical-free agriculture district, the BJP Raitha Morcha has organised a mammoth farmers convention at Maharaja's College grounds in the city tomorrow.

Speaking to press persons after inspecting the arrangements at the venue yesterday, District BJP President Kote M. Shivanna said that State BJP President B.S. Yeddyurappa will inaugurate the convention at 11am.

Senior BJP leaders V. Sreenivasa Prasad, C.H. Vijayashankar, MPs B. Sriramulu, Pratap Simha and Shobha Karandlaje, leaders R. Ashok, V. Somanna, Aravind Limbavali and others will take part, he said and added that over 20,000 farmers from across the district are expected to attend the meet.

Referring to the possibility of Raitha Morcha President C.H. Vijayashankar taking part in the convention, Shivanna said that Vijayashankar is a senior leader of the party and he may be a little bit disappointed over the confusion in Periyapatna party ticket distribution. However, the State party leaders will clear the confusion in a couple of days.

Replying to a question on him contesting the Assembly polls, Shivanna said the party high command will decide on the issue.

Ex-MP Vijayashankar snubs MP Shobha

MP Shobha Karandlaje seen with former Minister C.H. Vijayashankar's wife and BJP leaders at the latter's residence in Vijayanagar here yesterday.

Vijayashankar

Mysuru, Oct.25- Former Minister C.H. Vijayashankar, who is touted to soon cross over to the Congress from the BJP, could not be reached by BJP leaders on Tuesday.

MP Shobha Karandlaje, who arrived in the city last evening, was to meet Vijayashankar at a private hotel in the city in order to convince him to stay back in the party. However, he did not turn up and BJP leaders after waiting for sometime, reached Vijayashankar's house in Vijayanagar. He was not available even in his house. However, the BJP leaders spoke to Vijayashankar's wife before leaving.

Political circles are abuzz that Vijayashankar is likely to leave BJP to join the Congress soon.

City BJP President Dr. B.H. Manjunath, District President Kote M. Shivanna, Corporator Nandeesh Preetham, leaders N.V. Phaneesh, L. Nagendra, Advocate S. Arunkumar and others accompanied Shobha.

Two killed as Tata Ace topples

Mysuru, Oct. 25(RK&DM)- Two persons were killed on the spot and four others sustained injuries when the Tata Ace vehicle they were travelling overturned near Kempayyanahundi on Mysuru-T. Narasipur road this morning.

The deceased have been identified as vehicle driver Vasantha (40), a resident of Talakad and Nagaraj (50), a resident of Hemmige in Talakad Hobli.

Six persons including the driver, all said to be painters, were coming to the city from T.Narasipur at about 8.45am when the driver lost control following which the vehicle toppled, killing the duo. Four other passengers, who sustained injuries, were rushed to a city hospital.

T.Narasipur Police, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar and shifted the bodies to T. Narasipur Government Hospital. A case has been registered at T. Narasipur Police Station in this regard.

Senior Kannada actor Venugopal passes away

Bengaluru, Oct. 25 - Senior Kannada actor Venugopal passed away yesterday at his residence in Kathriguppe here following a heart attack. He leaves behind two sons Pavan and Hemanth.

Venugopal had acted more in Dr. Vishnuvardhan's films and in *Dakota Express, Soorappa, Rajanarasimha* among others. He had also acted in Kannada television serials such as *Manethana* and *Janani.* His last movie was *Shuddi,* incidentally directed by his son Pavan.

Last rites will be performed in Bengaluru today.

Taxidermist Van Ingen's assets row

City doctor held for questioning about death certificate

Mysuru, Oct.25- The Criminal Investigation Department (CID), which is probing into the alleged cheating of Mysuru's famous Taxidermist Edwin Joubert Van Ingen of his properties worth Rs. 500 crore by former horse trainer Michael Floyd Eshwar, is said to have arrested a 63-year-old doctor of the city yesterday for abetting the fraud.

Dr. Chandrashekar, a Director of Aditya Adhikari Hospital in Gokulam, allegedly hid the fact that he had issued a death certificate for Ingen's demise to some relatives of the Taxidermist.

Dr. Chandrashekar later allegedly issued a new death certificate to Eshwar, hiding details of the treatment given to Ingen and the time of his death. Van Ingen died on Mar.12, 2013.

The doctor is also alleged to have destroyed documents on the treatment history of Ingen as part of the conspiracy with Eshwar. Four years after the Taxidermist was allegedly conned by Michael Floyd Eshwar, who claimed to be his adopted son, of properties worth Rs. 500 crores, the CID reopened the case as the Supreme Court directed it to continue the probe.

Earlier, the Karnataka High Court on June 19, 2014, had ruled in favour of Eshwar, who then was alleged to have used the fake medical certificates issued by Dr. Chandrashekar. The High Court had also ordered to halt the probe.

Questioning the High Court verdict, Telly Gifford, a relative of Van Ingen, moved the Supreme Court, which in August this year, directed the CID to probe the case.

Van Ingen, a bachelor, lived alone and was acquainted with Eshwar, a horse trainer at Mysore Race Club (MRC) of which he was a member.

Van Ingen died on Mar.12, 2013, at the age of 101, a day after the cheating case was filed.

Meanwhile, Aditya Hospital sources said that Dr. Chandrashekar who left for Bengaluru yesterday to join CID probe has not returned since then and all efforts to reach him have failed.

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In this week's Pet Talk, Maneka speaks about spaying rabbits and poisoning in dog

Pet Talk

Maneka Gandhi

Why is spaying rabbits necessary?

There are many benefits to spaying or neutering a rabbit. First and foremost, a sterilised rabbit can live a longer, healthier life, as the risk of cancer and urinary tract infections are greatly reduced.

Uterine cancer: Rabbits of certain breeds have a high risk of uterine cancer, with 50-80% of them developing uterine adenocarcinoma after reaching 4 years of age. This is a slow-growing, but malignant, cancer which can spread to other organs including the lungs and bones.

Ovarian disease: Ovarian cancer and cystic ovaries can occur in unspayed females.

Mammary disease: Mammary glands can become cystic in unspayed females. Although these swellings are benign, they can be painful. Unspayed females over two years of age can develop mammary cancer, often associated with uterine cancer.

Endometrial hyperplasia and uterine polyps: As a rabbit ages, the uterus normally undergoes changes. The lining of the uterus may thicken (endometrial hyperplasia) and polypsorcysts may form. This may result in anaemia, blood in the urine, and a decrease in activity.

Pyometra and endometritis: The uterus of an intact (unspayed) doe may become infected or inflamed. In the case of pyometra, the uterus is actually filled with pus. This can be a life-threatening condition.

False pregnancy: As in dogs, rabbits can exhibit false pregnancies. This occurs when the hormone levels "trick" the rabbit's body into believing the rabbit is pregnant. The rabbit will build a nest, become aggressive over territory, and even produce milk. This stressful condition can be eliminated through spaying.

Orchitis/ epididymitis: The testicles or the epididymis can become infected in male rabbits. This is often a result of injury caused by fighting among male rabbits. The rabbit will generally have a fever, be listless, and not eat.

The neutered male rabbit will live longer as well; given that he won't be tempted to fight with other animals due to sexual aggression.

They are calmer, more loving, and dependable once the urge to mate has been removed. In addition, rabbits are less prone to destructive (chewing, digging) and aggressive (biting, lunging, circling, growling) behaviour after surgery.

Unneutered male rabbits spray, and both males and females are much easier to litter-train, and much more reliably trained, after they have been altered.

Spaying or neutering your rabbit improves litter-box habits, lessens chewing behaviour, decreases territorial aggression, and gives your rabbit a happier, longer life.

Neutered rabbits not only make better companions for people, they make better companions for other rabbits as well. Multiple rabbits can often be housed together very happily, if neutered, since there is less fighting over territory and mates.

The stronger smell of urine in uncastrated rabbits can be eliminated by neutering.

At what age should rabbits be spayed or neutered?

Females can be spayed as soon as they sexually mature, usually around four months of age, but many veterinarians prefer to wait until they are 6 months old, as surgery is riskier on a younger rabbit. Males can be neutered as soon as the testicles descend, usually around three-and-a-half months of age.

When is a rabbit too old to be spayed or neutered?

Veterinarians will have their own opinions on this but, in general, after a rabbit is six years old, anaesthetics and surgery become riskier, but that doesn't mean it can't be done. Simply consult your veterinarian regarding your rabbit's health and circumstances, and opt for pre-surgical blood work.

It is always a good idea in a rabbit, over two years of age, to have a very thorough health check done, including full blood work. It will help detect any condition that could make the surgery riskier. This is especially important if anaesthetics, other than isoflurane, are used.

What are the indications that a stray dog has been poisoned?

The severity of poisoning symptoms depends largely on the type of toxin involved and how much of it entered the dog's body. Some toxins have a cumulative effect and take time to build up in a dog's system after repeated exposures. This means the earliest signs of poisoning might go undetected, or attributed to a dog feeling "under the weather." In other cases, the reaction could be immediate and violent with the dog presenting obvious signs of distress.

Symptoms of dog poisoning can include any combination of the following:

Loss of appetite: A change in a dog's eating habits is usually the first signal for many illnesses.

Drooling: This is typically a sign of nausea.

Vomiting: This can occur with or without the presence of blood, since some toxins such as the rat poison Warfarin produce internal bleeding.

Diarrhoea: This can occur with or without bleeding for the same reason listed above.

Rash or irritation at the contact site: This typically occurs when a toxin has entered the bloodstream via the skin.

Lethargy: This can be due to the general ill-effects of the toxin, but it might also be a sign that the toxin is affecting the heart muscle.

Loss of coordination: This symptom is typically an indication that the brain has been affected.

Tremors/seizures: This can be a further sign of the brain's involvement with the toxin.

Laboured breathing: Slowed heart function can cause a build-up of fluid in the lungs that leads to breathing difficulty.

Sensitivity to light: Some poisons can make a dog photo-sensitive.

Onset of organ failure: Kidneys, liver, heart and other organs may begin to shut down as the toxin takes full effect.

Loss of consciousness: This is a fairly severe sign.

Non-responsive behaviour: The dog may remain conscious, yet not appear to see or hear anything going on around him.

Coma: This is a most serious sign that could signal death is imminent.

The many different types of dog poisoning have various symptoms.

Irregular Heartbeats From Dog Poisoning: Dogs with irregular heart rhythms and cardiac symptoms have most likely gotten into a plant. This includes jimson weed, kalanchoe, milkweed, mountain laurel and oleander.

Kidney Failure From Poisoning: Antifreeze poisoning can cause your dog kidney failure and the inability to produce urine. Plants can also cause kidney damage. These types of plants include dieffenbachia, Easter lily, caladium, pigweed and philodendron.

Liver Damage From Dog Poisoning: Medications like acetaminophen and plants such as tansy ragwort or rattlebox can cause liver damage.

Loss of Blood From Dog Poisoning: If your dog has bruising, blood in the stool, nosebleeds or anaemia it has most likely gotten it from rat or mouse poison. However, if it has gotten into your garden or kitchen, and eaten too much onion, garlic, sweet clover or bracken fern, it could also suffer from anaemia and could even die.

Neurological Symptoms From Dog Poisoning: Dogs suffering from seizures and other neurological symptoms have possibly ingested one of many things. **This list is long and includes the following:** Antidepressants, alcohol, aspirin, drain cleaners, dishwasher soap, gasoline, marijuana, flea repellents, tobacco, furniture polish and strychnine. Exposure to, or bites from, poisonous animals can cause dogs to seize as well. These animals include certain breeds of snakes, spiders, toads and frogs. Plants can cause neurological symptoms as well.

Stomach Symptoms From Dog Poisoning: Garbage, lead paint, snake bites, chocolate, medications, poinsettia, iris, Chinaberry, daphne and pokeweed are all dangerous to dogs. Digesting these substances can result in gastrointestinal symptoms such as diarrhoea, loss of appetite and vomiting.

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School boy loses leg, KSRTC conductor, driver blamed

Mysuru, Oct. 25 (SPN, RK&BCT) - In a tragic incident, a 14-year-old school boy lost his left foot when one of the wheels of the city bus he was trying to board yesterday crushed his foot when he fell off the bus. It is alleged that the accident occurred because of the negligence of the bus conductor and the driver.

The boy has been identified as **Ullekh Puttaswamy,** a Class 9 student of Sadvidya High School and a resident of Bannur. He is the younger son of Puttaswamy, a cable operator in Bannur.

According to Puttaswamy, his son's routine was to take a KSRTC bus from the bus station after his school. "On Monday my son was to take a bus to reach Bannur and he reached Platform No. 1 of the bus stand around 4.30 pm. He tried to catch a bus (KA-09-F-5277). Even as he was trying to board, the conductor, who noticed that the boys were pass-holders, asked the bus driver to move and shut the doors of the bus. Ullekh fell and his left leg got stuck under the rear wheel of the bus," he said.

"People around shouted the driver to stop, but he did not and my son's leg was crushed. He was rushed to Anagha Hospital near Agrahara where doctors have amputated nearly one-and-a-half feet of his leg. He is a brilliant student, and wanted to be an IPS officer," Puttaswamy said.

According to Ullekh, KSRTC drivers and conductors refuse to accommodate students as they are pass holders. "On Monday too, the conductor closed the bus doors as their usual practice that resulted in the accident," he said.

KSRTC officials, however, denied charges that the boy was pushed off the bus by the conductor. Ullekh was not pushed off the bus but fell unable to enter it. This was also checked from the records of the Intelligent Transport System," an official said.

The KSRTC has ordered a departmental inquiry into the incident. Ullekh's parents have lodged a Police complaint at the Devaraja Police Station against the driver and conductor of the bus, holding them responsible for their son's accident. Had the driver and conductor behaved responsibly by permitting him to enter the bus, he wouldn't have lost his foot, the parents contend.

On the instructions of the KSRTC Managing Director, the boy's medical expenses will be borne by the KSRTC considering it as a "special case."

Disciplinary action

Meanwhile, in Bengaluru, Transport Minister H.M. Revanna asked the KSRTC MD to take disciplinary action against the driver and conductor of the bus, and to bear the hospital expenditure. He has also asked the MD to probe the incident and submit a report.

Ullekh Puttaswamy, who is undergoing treatment at Anagha hospital in city, seen with his mother Annapoorna by his side and other family members.

He had a valid pass

Ullekh

Ullekh Puttaswamy had a valid KSRTC bus pass and despite this he was refused entry into the bus by the conductor. His parents and school authorities said that Ullekh had paid Rs. 740 (the cost of distance from his school to Bannur) at his school for the pass that was forwarded to the KSRTC through his school. The KSRTC had issued the pass after receiving the payment.

KSRTC authorities said that bus passes could be obtained at respective schools now. "Earlier, students had to stand in a queue at City Bus Stand. To avoid this, we distribute passes for needy students at school-level itself. School authorities collect the money and photos of students along with other details and submit the same to us and we issue the passes," a KSRTC Officer said.

A logo for Bullet Train

New Delhi, Oct. 25- A logo designed by a student of the National Institute of Design (NID) in Ahmedabad, incorporating the outline of a cheetah on a locomotive engine, has emerged as the top choice for the ambitious Bullet Train project launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Modi and his Japanese counterpart Shinzo Abe laid the foundation stone for India's first high-speed rail network project in Gujarat on Sept. 14. The first Bullet Train will run between Ahmedabad and Mumbai.

The logo was selected from a contest by a three-member Screening Committee headed by renowned painter and architect Satish Gujral, said a senior Railway official.

"The contest received an overwhelming response from across the country. The dates for submitting the applications were between April 19 and May 18, and around 100 entries were received by the Committee from various States," the official said. **"The cheetah represents speed, while the red and blue lines symbolise calm and reliability,"** sources said.

The official said that apart from Gujral, the Screening Committee included a NITI Aayog Member and an official from the National High Speed Rail Corporation Limited (NHSRCL), which is in charge of the project. "Three entries were shortlisted after initial screening. The top entry was selected from NID, Ahmedabad, the second from the School of Planning and Architecture in Delhi, and the third from the NID in Bengaluru," said the official.

The government is keen to make the Ahmedabad-Mumbai high-speed rail network operational on Aug. 15, 2022, to mark India's 75th year of Independence. The train is expected to cover a distance of over 500 km between the two cities in less than three hours, with a ticket to cost around 1.2 per cent more than the basic AC first class fare, sources said.

Japan is financing 81 per cent of the Rs. 1.08 lakh crore project through the Japan International Cooperation Agency at 0.1 per cent interest to be repaid over 50 years.

Malabar Weekly Lucky Draw winners

Bengaluru, Oct. 25- Malabar Gold & Diamonds held its Diwali Campaign Lucky Draw for the second week at Ballari and Marathahalli showroom.

Rehana with coupon number 58431 from Ballari showroom and P.C. Lakshmipathi with coupon No. 25191 from Rajajinagar store becomes the 2nd week winners of 100 gram lucky draw held at Ballari and Marathahalli store respectively. Draw was taken in the presence of customers of Malabar Gold & Diamonds. Store Head Vivek and other management officials attended the event.

Malabar Gold and Diamonds, which has a showroom in Mysuru also, has announced 100 kg gold as gifts to customers who buy gold and diamond jewellery from its showrooms in India and abroad as part of Diwali festival offer. They have announced 5 kg of gold as bumper prize through a lucky draw. In addition to it, they will offer Gold Bars through weekly draws, scratch and win assured gold coins with each purchase of gold worth Rs. 30,000 and diamonds worth Rs. 25,000. The offer is valid up to Oct. 31.

Russian query cause for change in Vidhana Soudha architecture style

A Russian cultural delegation had asked Kengal Hanumanthaiah in 1950s: "Have you no architecture of your own? They are all European buildings."

Bengaluru, Oct. 25 - Vidhana Soudha, the iconic seat of the Karnataka Legislature, is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee today.

Construction on the Soudha started in 1951. The then Chief Minister K.C. Reddy had planned to build a replica of the Athara Kacheri, the present day Karnataka High Court building but Kengal Hanumanthaiah favoured an Indian-style building. After K.C. Reddy resigned, Kengal Hanumanthaiah became the CM and pursued his dream and conceptualised the Vidhana Soudha.

After the unification of Karnataka, Bangalore (now Bengaluru) became the centre of Karnataka and Kengal Hanumanthaiah felt that there needed to be a structure which could make the city the administrative capital of the State.

Kengal Hanumanthaiah, in the 1950s, had told a reporter the reason why he wanted to construct an imposing structure. "Do you know how I conceived the idea of this building? A Russian cultural delegation was visiting Bangalore and I took them around to show the city. Every now and then they queried, "Have you no architecture of your own? They are all European buildings."

The structure was designed by B.R. Manickam in 1950. According to the Karnataka Legislative Assembly website, the project began on July 13, 1951 after the then Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru laid the foundation stone.

However, the actual construction began in 1952 and was completed in 1956. It took nearly 5,000 convicts and 1,500 skilled masons, chiselers, wood carvers and carpenters to construct the massive legislative seat comprising 172 rooms. The entire cost of construction was Rs. 1.84 crore.

Built in a Neo-Dravidian, Dravidian, Indo-Islamic and British styles of architecture, the Vidhana Soudha is spread over 60 acres and houses the Legislative Assembly and Council chambers, in addition to offices of the Chief Minister, prominent Ministers and senior government officers.

The majestic structure has been built largely with Bangalore granite, Magadi Pink and Turvekere Black Stones excavated from areas around Bengaluru.

"It was always meant to represent the people," Suresh Moona, a historian who has documented Bengaluru's past, said. He added that it was this sentiment that inspired the words *"Government's work is God's work"* etched in bold at the entrance of the building.

Over the years, many other historians have said that Vidhana Soudha was also a symbol representing democracy as against the monarchy that existed earlier.

The State has since constructed Vikasa Soudha (next to the Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru) and the Suvarna Vidhana Soudha building in Belagavi district and some mini-Vidhana Soudhas in other districts to represent administrative seats of power.

"The grace and grandeur of the original Vidhana Soudha cannot be replicated," Moona said of the first Legislature building which is now illuminated for the occasion.

President Delivers Vidhana Soudha Diamond Jubilee Speech

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"After the election, the competitor could become a colleague in the task of ensuring the well-being and development of a constituency or of our shared society. This is the beauty of a democratic polity that we must appreciate," Kovind said.

"We are aware of the three 'D's of Legislature — it is a place to 'Debate', 'Dissent' and finally 'Decide' and if we add the fourth 'D' that is 'Decency', only then the fifth 'D' of a meaningful 'Democracy' becomes a reality.

On Tipu Sultan

Making a mention of Tipu Sultan in his address, the President said that Tipu Sultan died a heroic death fighting the British. "He was also a pioneer in the development and use of Mysore rockets in warfare. This technology was later adopted by the Europeans. More recently, two of our finest army chiefs — Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa and General K.S. Thimmayya — were the sons of Karnataka," he said.

Former CMs

Recalling the contributions of former Chief Ministers K.C. Reddy, Kengal Hanumanthaiah, Kadidal Manjappa, S. Nijalingappa, D. Devaraj Urs, B.D Jatti, Ramakrishna Hegde, S.R. Bommai, Veerendra Patil and S.M. Krishna, President Kovind said both Houses of the Legislature jointly and collectively represent the will and aspirations of the people of Karnataka.

People's aspirations

"The two Houses also represent the ideals and optimism and the energy and dynamism of the Kannadiga people and this building is a monument to the history of public service in Karnataka. It is for the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council to function as sacred temples of democracy, and contribute to raising the level of political and policy discourse," he said.

Speaking on Karnataka, the President said, "Karnataka's dreams are not for Karnataka alone. They are dreams for all of India. **Karnataka is an engine of the Indian economy. It is a mini-India that draws — without losing its cultural and linguistic distinctiveness — youth from all over the country.** They come here for knowledge and for jobs and they give the labour and intellect. This is how everybody gains."

Documentaries to be screened

Today evening, two documentaries on the construction of the Vidhana Soudha and emergence of Legislature in Karnataka, directed by renowned filmmakers Girish Kasaravalli and T.N. Seetharam will be screened. Programmes depicting the art and culture of the State will be organised on the grand steps of Vidhana Soudha, also called the Taj Mahal of South.

Mahila Sarvodaya Day tomorrow

Mysuru, Oct. 25 (PM&NNN)- The Mysuru Chapter of Akhila Bharatiya Mahila Sammelana is organising Mahila Sarovdaya Day tomorrow at the Cauvery Auditorium in the Karnataka State Open University campus, said Hemalatha, the Chief of the Sammelana.

She was addressing a press conference at the Patrakarthara Bhavan, here this morning and said that Pramoda Devi Wadiyar will inaugurate the programme at 2.30 pm in the presence of Ministers Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa and Dr. Geetha Mahadevaprasad and MLA Vasu.

Akhila Bharatiya Mahila Sammelan is part of the Delhi-based organisation and it is celebrating its 90th anniversary.

Ramdas to lead protest against potholes on Oct. 27

Mysuru, Oct. 25 (PM&NNN)- A

S.A. Ramdas

symbolic protest will be staged on Oct.27 by covering potholes on Sarvajanika Hostel Road and near the Silk Factory, said former Minister S.A. Ramdas.

He was addressing a press conference here this morning at the Patrakarthara Bhavan and said that MCC had failed to fill potholes even though there are more than 20,000 potholes in city.

"There are more than 40 potholes on Sarvajanika Hostel Road, which is a small stretch. Even the road from Andani Circle to Silk Factory is filled with potholes. We will cover the potholes with jelly, sand and tar," he said.

According to Ramdas, they had protested regarding the same issue some time back and still the Government had not bothered to take any action. If it continues to ignore the problem, which is a life and death situation for the thousands of road users, then there would be no option left but to approach the courts and stop paying road taxes, he warned.

Giving out statistics, he said that from January 1 this year, nearly 578 accidents had occurred on Mysuru roads and 110 people had died, while 410 have been injured. "Just as Rs.100 crore has been sanctioned to Bengaluru to fill potholes, Mysuru should also be given a similar grant," he demanded.

He also pointed out that private telephone companies, CESC and Water Works all dig up the roads and do not fill it up even though they have the responsibility to do it immediately. Hence, action should be taken against such bodies, he said.

PACL agents take out silent march

Mysuru, Oct. 25 (RKB&DM) - Hundreds of PACL (Pearls Agrotech Corporation Limited) agents from Mysuru, Chamarajanagar, Mandya and Hassan districts took out a silent march in city this morning urging for immediate return of money to investors.

The march, which began from Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the North Gate of the Palace, passed through the Clock Tower, Gandhi Square, Dufferin Clock Tower, D. Devaraj Urs Road, JLB Road and Hunsur Road before reaching the Deputy Commissioner's (DC) Office, where a memorandum was submitted.

The agents demanded the implementation of the recommendations of the Supreme Court-appointed retired CJI R.M. Lodha's Committee and ensure justice to six crore investors across the country.

Maintaining that most of the investors were from middle class and poor sections of the society, they claimed that over 50 agents have ended their lives, unable to bear the harassment by investors. They urged the Government to take the issue seriously and come to the rescue of agents and investors.

PACL Agents Horata Samithi office-bearers R. Somashekar, Gajendra, Allah Baksh, M.A. Manjunath and others took part in the protest march.

In another demonstration, over 200 residents of **Ekalavyanagar Colony,** under the banner of Socialist Unity Centre of India (SUCI) staged a protest in front of DC Office here demanding fulfilment of their five-point charter of demands.

Claiming that most of the colony residents were nomadic and semi-nomadic tribes and were living in the colony for over 15 years, the protesters demanded individual houses to all slum dwellers, formation of a layout on the lines of Budaranagar in Ballari and proper sanitation in the colony. SUCI office-bearers D. Ravi, Chandrashekar, M. Umadevi and Sandhya, activists Gavirangappa, Vasu and others took part in the protest. Earlier, the protesters marched from Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple to the DC Office, where they staged a protest.

In yet another demonstration, members of the **Mysuru District Unit of State Government Employees Association** presented a memorandum to the DC seeking fulfilment of their demands which included implementation of the recommendations of the Sixth Pay Commission and continuation of old pension rule among others. Association President H.K. Ramu, office-bearers Nagamma and others took part.

Minister Dr. Mahadevappa visits houses of voters in T. Narasipur

T. Narasipur, Oct. 25 (KS)- PWD and Mysuru District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa took part in *'Mane Manege Congress'* launched by Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) in T. Narasipur yesterday.

The Minister visited the houses of voters in various villages coming under his constituency and urged them to extend their support to the Congress party in the Assembly election to be held in 2018. The Minister was accompanied by T. Narasipur Constituency Election Observer and Karnataka State Haj Committee Member Suhail Baig, former Member of Mysore City Congress Minority Department Akbar Khan and other Congress leaders.

Obituary

A. Francis Xavier

Mysuru, Oct. 25- A. Francis Xavier (62), a resident of Gandinagar in city, passed away yesterday at his residence following brief illness.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, grandsons and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral was held at the Catholic Cemetery on Mahadevapura Road in Gandhinagar here today.

Mandepanda Leelavathi

Mandepanda Leelavathi (76), wife of late M.B. Appanna and a resident of Chamundeshwari Apartment in V.V. Mohalla passed away this afternoon.

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Vocal concert by Dr. Vidyabhushana on Friday

Dr. Vidyabhushana

Mysuru, Oct. 25- Sri Krishna Gana Sabha has organised a vocal recital by *Sangeetha Vidyanidhi* **Dr. Vidyabhushana** at Alwar Kalabhavan in Gokulam on Oct. 27 (Friday) at 6 pm.

He will be accompanied by **Vid. H.K.N. Murthy** on violin, **Vid. H.L. Shivashankaraswamy** on mridanga and **Vid. M.R. Manjunath** on ghata.

Sangeetha Vidyanidhi Dr. Vidyabhushana, a vocalist from Karnataka, sings devotional songs, chiefly Haridasa compositions, and Karnatak Classical Music. He has many albums to his credit, mainly devotional songs in Kannada, Tulu and has given concerts all over the world.

His first album was titled 'Dasara Padagalu' and the 100th titled 'Tanu Ninnadu Jivana Ninnadu.' Performing for more than 20 years, he has travelled to many countries including a tour across the United States in 1999. He was honoured with the title of *Sangeetha Vidyanidhi* in 1994. He was also honoured the Doctorate by Hampi University.

Dr. Vidyabhushana began to learn music when he was young, from his father late Govindacharya and for several years was a student of B.V. Narayana Aithal of Udupi. In the later years, he got training from the musician, *Sangeetha Kalanidhi* R.K. Srikantan and then from T.V. Gopalakrishnan of Chennai.

He continues his activities in music, and the spread of devotion and service to the community through 'Bhakti Bharathi Prathistana,' a Trust for which he is the Founder-Trustee.

This Trust conducts musical programmes to commemorate Sri Purandaradasara Aradhana and other events. Presently, he is constructing 'Purandarashrama' in Bengaluru.

He is a native of Dakshina Kannada district. He lives with his wife and two children in Bengaluru. He was the pontiff of Subrahmanya Mutt, before becoming a full-time singer.

Kalabhivardhana celebrates dance, music

Vidu. Radha Sridhar

Nadoja Dr. Mahesh Joshi, retired Additional Director General, Doordarshan, along with Vidu. Radha Sridhar, internationally acclaimed Bharatanatyam virtuoso and Vidu. Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy, Bharatanatyam exponent, is seen lighting the lamp to inaugurate 'Kalabhivardhana-2017,' three-day festival of Kala Sandesha Prathishtana, at Jaganmohan Palace in city on Oct. 13 as Vid. Sandesh Bhargava and others look on.

Vid. Sandesh Bhargava

Kala Sandesha Prathishtana held its third annual 'Kalabhivardhana-2017,' aimed at honouring those artistes who have rendered yeoman service in the art field. The grand three-day festival was held at Jaganmohan Palace auditorium on the 13th, 14th and 15th of October 2017.

This Prathishtana is the brain child of **Vid. Sandesh Bhargava,** an ardent disciple of Natya Guru Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy. His mission is to take dance to the rural children in which, he has already come a long way. Many children in and around Thirumakoodlu Narasipura have passed the Dance Examinations conducted by the Karnataka State Board with flying colours.

The institution, every year honours eminent artistes and confers 'Natya Kalottunga' and 'Sangeeta Kalottunga' awards on them. This year, **Vidu. Radha Sridhar** was chosen for 'Natya Kalotthunga' and *Padma Bhushan* **Dr. L. Subramaniam** for 'Sangeeta Kalottunga' awards respectively.

Vidu. Aishwarya Nithyananda and **Vidu. Bianca Radhakrishna,** disciples of Vidu. Radha Sridhar, performed on the 13th, after the award ceremony.

On the 14th, **Dr. L. Subramaniam,** accompanied by **Ramanamurthy** (mridanga) and **Satyasai** (morching), gave a short concert after receiving the award. Despite his ill-health, Dr. Subramaniam enthralled his fans with a special panchanade Varna in five speeds! A short but a different approach to Hamsadhwani raga lead to the popular 'Vatapi Ganapatim' displaying his amazing mastery on the instrument.Muthuswamy Dixitar's 'Akhilandeshwari' (dwijavanthi) brought the curtains down for the day.

The final day had a special solo dance drama *'Maulya Nidhi Bheema Sena'* by **Vid. Sandesh Bhargava.** Written by **Dr. Jyothi Shankar,** the theme of this play, as the title itself suggests was Bheema, the most muscular brother of Dharmaraja. Many facets of this true hero, apart from his valor and anger, has not come to light. A true patriot, his love for peace, a heart that throbs for his countrymen, virtuous conduct and pious deed deserve a mention. Dr. Jyothi succeeded in bringing out these good qualities of Bheema in both her narration and songs.

Dr. Vasundhara's brilliant choreography was brought alive by Sandesh, who breathed life in to the character of Bheema. His physique added to it.

While Guru Vasundhara provided natuvanga, **Raghunandan** gave vocal support (Music was composed by **Kanchana S. Sriranjini**). **H.L. Shivashankaraswamy** (mridanga), **Rakesh** (Flute), **Veena** (Narasimhan), **Vinaykumar** (rhythmpad) and **Kousthubha-Jyothi Shankar** (narration) enhanced the experience of this one man show.

The story started with Kunthi, hinting to her sons about the possibility of shifting to another Palace (that was constructed with the sole aim of destructing the Pandavas). On entering the Palace, Bheema smells something foul. He is alerted by the odour of jiggery, wax and lac. Anticipating the danger, he springs into action and starts digging a tunnel and escapes the fire tragedy. He is all caring towards the rest of the Pandavas and is not distracted by Hidimbi's luring. Krishna, the saviour of Pandavas is so confident of Bheema's capacity that he prepares him to kill Jarasandha prior to Rajasooyayajna. During the deceit gambling, it was only Bheema who raises his voice against the insult and injustice done to Draupadi and questions Dharmaraya. This situation paves way to the famous 'Bheema Pratijne' (his vow to destroy the Kauravas).

His tender feeling was captured appropriately in the 'Sougandhikaprakarana.' His respect for elders when he meets Hanuman and his love for Draupadi came alive in this sequence. Keechaka's episode while Pandavas were in exile and in disguise, reveals his caring nature.

Here, well-tuned Kumaravyasa's poems were used to make an impact. It was very meaningful to say that Krishna did not find the need to choose Bheema for Geethopadesha as he was already a 'Sthithaprajna.' This is proved in Bheema's reaction during his beloved son Ghatotkacha's demise in the battle. Sandesh handled this in a very subtle way.

When Krishna gets ready for a treaty, Bheema, keeping aside his fury, his vow and ego, opts for peace, only to save the innocent people of Bharathavarsha. 'He is the saviour of Pandavas — the dignified, virtuous and truthful' says Sri Krishna. The show kept the audience glued to their seats with the involved performance of Sandesh, brilliant choreography, good music and script. On the whole, Sandesh succeeded in highlighting the many faces of Bheemasena and capturing the audience.

—Dr. Rama V. Bennur

Pro-Kabaddi League 2017

Gujarat Fortunegiants enters final

New Delhi, Oct. 25- A solid all-round performance by rampant Gujarat Fortunegiants saw them reach the final of Vivo Pro Kabaddi Season 5 as they hammered Bengal Warriors 42-17. Almost everyone chipped in with vital contributions as Gujarat Fortunegiants were relentless in their pursuit of a place in the final. Sachin led the raiding charts with 9 points and was ably supported by Mahendra Rajput who scored eight points.

In defence, Abozar Mighani and Parvesh Bainswal scored four points apiece. It was a disappointing night for Bengal Warriors as they produced a terrible display in the second half and could score just seven points. Both Maninder Singh and Jang Kun Lee couldn't deliver when it mattered the most and scored just one point each.

Gujarat Fortunegiants scored two raid points in the first two minutes to lead 2-0. Deepak Narwal opened Bengal Warriors' account in the third minute with a raid point. Gujarat raiders got a couple of easy points as they led 6-3 after six minutes. Jang Kun Lee scored his first raid point in the 7th minute as Bengal Warriors trailed 4-6.

Mahendra Rajput was in fine raiding form for Gujarat and scored bulk of the points in the first 10 minutes to give his team 9-6 lead. Bengal Warriors forced a super tackle in the 15th minute as they trailed 9-11. Rajput scored with another raid in the 18th minute as Gujarat Fortunegiants led 13-10 at the end of the first half.

Gujarat Fortunegiants began the second half in storming fashion and inflicted an all out in the 22nd minute to lead 19-10. In the first six minutes of the second half, Gujarat scored nine points without any reply from Warriors as they led 22-10 after 26 minutes. Bengal Warriors forced a super tackle in the 27th minute to get their first points of the second half.

Rajput got a two-point raid in the 29th minute to give Gujarat 26-13 lead. Bengal Warriors were looking down and out and suffered another all out in the 31st minute to trail 13-29. In ten minutes of the second half, they could score just three points. Their two main players — Maninder Singh and Jang Kun Lee — had scored just two points in 30 minutes and it proved to be their downfall.

Gujarat Fortunegiants went on a rampage in the last 10 minutes as they inflicted an all out in the 36th minute to lead 38-16. Such was Gujarat's dominance in the second half that they allowed Bengal to score just seven points in the second half. Gujarat Fortunegiants ran out comfortable winners in the end as they had a 25-point winning margin.

PRO KABADDI

TOMORROW'S MATCHES

QUALIFIER 2

Bengal Warriors Vs Patna Pirates

Venue: Jawarhal Nehru Indoor Stadium, Chennai Time: 8 pm

YESTERDAY'S RESULT

ELIMINATOR 3

Patna Pirates 42 Vs Puneri Paltan 32

Catch the live action on STAR SPORTS from 8 pm

State-level PU volleyball tournament from tomorrow

Mysuru, Oct. 25- State-level PU Volleyball Tournament for boys and girls of Pre-University Colleges will be held at St. Philomena's College Sports Ground from Oct. 26 (tomorrow). The three-day tournament is jointly organised by the Department of Pre-University Education and St. Philomena's PU College.

A total of 64 teams will participate, which comprises of 32 teams each of boys and girls categories. The tournament will be inaugurated by Rt. Rev. Dr. K. A. William, Bishop of Mysuru, tomorrow at 5 pm at the College Sports Ground. Minister for Primary and Secondary Education Tanveer Sait will preside.

Pre-University Board Director Shikha, Mysore Diocese Vicar General Very Rev. Fr. Rayappa, Episcopal Vicar Rev. Fr. Leslie Moras, MDES Secretary Rev. Fr. Vijay Kumar and St. Philomena's Degree Rector/Manger Rev. Fr. Bernard Prakash Barnis will be the Chief Guests. International Volleyball Player Nishya Joseph, DDPU V.R. Shyamala and Mysore District Principals' Association President Mohan will be the Guests of Honour.

The valedictory will be held on Oct. 28 at 3.30 pm at the same venue.

Malaysia ITF Men's Tennis Tournament

Suraj, Prajwal Dev go down in qualifying round

Malaysia, Oct. 25- Mysuru lads Suraj R. Prabodh and S.D. Prajwal Dev taking part in the Malaysia F2 Futures $15,000 ITF Men's Tennis Tournament at Malaysia lost in the qualifying round in the singles event yesterday. Suraj lost in the final qualifying round to Netherlands Mark Dijkhuizen 6-4, 6-7 (5), 4-6. In the second round Suraj had scored a good win over Prajwal 2-6, 6-4, 7-5 to progress further. In the first round, Suraj had beaten Daniel Du Tout (RSA) 6-2, 6-2, while Prajwal Dev got past Grigory Lomakin (Kaz) 6-3, 6-0.

Last four gear up for the showdown

Kolkata/Mumbai, Oct. 25- The FIFA U-17 World Cup India 2017 has reached the semi-final stage, with four teams set to battle on Wednesday for a spot in Saturday's final in Kolkata. The midweek contests include a classic World Cup match-up, while the other is a meeting of two continental champions.

The early kick-off sees Brazil take another European heavyweight when they meet England in Kolkata. The South Americans needed to come from behind to defeat Germany in a pulsating quarter-final clash on Sunday. The English, meanwhile, cruised into the last four with a convincing result over USA in Goa on Saturday.

The other semi-final sees Mali and Spain clash in Navi Mumbai. Both sides have impressed in reaching the last four, with Mali overcoming West African rivals Ghana in their quarter-final in Guwahati, while Spain overpowered Iran with an efficient display in Kochi.

FIFA U-17 WORLD CUP INDIA 2017

TODAY'S MATCHES

SEMI FINAL

Brazil Vs England, 5 pm

Mali Vs Spain, 8 pm

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Sadvidya HS students excel in sports

The students of Sadvidya High School who have won have been selected to represent the Mysuru in the State-level competitions to be organised by Department of Public Instructions are seen in with *(sitting from left)* ***Head Master H.N. Subbarao, Secretary M.D. Gopinath and Physical Education Director N.D. Jagannath. Other seen are*** *(standing from left)* ***S. Sudharshan and K. Vikyath (Gold medal – Wrestling), Shivapriya (Gold Medal – Swimming), Monisha (Gold Medal – Yoga), Aishwarya (Gold Medal – Karate) and Manoj Gowda (Gold Medal – Swimming).***

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Damaged roads cause frequent mishaps at Maruthi Circle

The road which was dug to lay drain pipes at Maruthi Circle in N.R. Mohalla has not been patched up properly which is resulting in frequent accidents. Authorities concerned are urged to take up repair works soon besides penalising the person for failing to patch the dug up portion.

Clear garbage on Service Road in Kanakadasanagar

Heaps of garbage dumped on the Service Road of the Ring Road opposite SaRa Bhavan in Kanakadasanagar is not cleared resulting in foul smell emanating from it. Authorities concerned are urged to get the garbage cleared at the earliest.

Pig menace in Bannimantap

The menace of pigs in Bannimantap 'A' Layout needs to be controlled as the pigs in large numbers are found roaming freely on roads and come all of a sudden in front of vehicles resulting in motorists losing their balance and falling from the vehicles thus injuring themselves. Also, the pigs scatter the garbage on the roads making mess around. Authorities concerned are urged to take necessary action to control the same.

Codava National Day at Madikeri on Nov. 26

Dr. Subramanian Swamy to speak at the event

Mysuru, Oct.25- Well-known economist, former Union Law Minister and Rajya Sabha Member Dr. Subramanian Swamy will be the chief guest for the 27th Annual Codava National Day Celebrations scheduled to be held on Nov. 26 at Mahatma Gandhi Maidan in Madikeri.

A delegation from Codava National Council (CNC) headed by N.U. Nachappa recently met Dr. Swamy in Bengaluru in the presence of Sri Ravishankar Guruji at Art of Living Ashram and extended a formal invitation to him for the celebrations.

CNC delegates headed by N.U. Nachappa with former Union Law Minister and Rajya Sabha Member Dr. Subramanian Swamy at Art of Living Ashram in Bengaluru on Sunday.

Dr. Swamy would be speaking about Codava Quest for Autonomy, inclusion of Codava Tribe in the schedule list of our Constitution and inclusion of Codava Thakk in the 8th Schedule of our Constitution and allied subjects.

Jagadeesh Shetty, All India General Secretary of Virat Hindu Sangham, will be the guest of honour.

Protests galore in city

Members led by former Minister S.A. Ramdas, under the banner of BJP KR Constituency, staging protest in front of RTO (West) condemning the single seat rule for 100CC vehicles.

Mysuru, Oct. 25 (SP&KS)- Various organisations staged separate protests for various reasons in city yesterday.

About 20 members under the banner of BJP KR Constituency and led by former Minister S.A. Ramdas, staged a protest in front of RTO (West) condemning the single seat rule for 100CC vehicles.

The protesters, terming the rule as unscientific as it would lead to increase in two-wheeler population resulting in pollution, said that the rule will make the lives of middle class people miserable as they cannot afford to buy two-wheelers for each person of the family.

The protesters were joined by the students of Hardwicke PU College. A memorandum was submitted to the Regional Transport Officer later.

Post Card campaign: About 15 members of Prajnavantha Nagarika Vedike, condemning the single seat rule, staged a Post Card campaign in front of MCC here yesterday.

The protesters urged the Chief Minister through postcards to re-examine the order as it would be a bane to the middle class people.

Protest against Central Government's failure in providing jobs: In another protest against the Central Government's failure in providing jobs to youth, members of Mysuru District Rural Youth Congress staged a protest at Nehru Circle here yesterday.

They alleged that the promise by the BJP to provide jobs to over two crore youths has just remained as assurance though more than three years have passed since the BJP came to power in the Centre.

The protesters urged the Prime Minister to fulfil his promise and warned that the youths would come to the street if the promise of providing jobs was not fulfilled.

Karnataka Dalita Sangarsha Samithi: Urging the State Government not to include Madiwala and Savitha Samaja communities to the list of Scheduled Castes, a group of people under the banner of Karnataka Dalita Sangarsha Samithi, staged a protest in front of the DC's office here yesterday.

The protesters also urged the State Government to appoint Dalit Priests to Muzrai Temples as done in Kerala to provide social justice to them.

Protest for houses: Meanwhile, members of Tulasi Women Self Help Group and Jai Bheem Yuva Sene staged a protest in front of the DC's office here yesterday urging the State Government to provide them houses in Dharam Singh Colony 'B' Block in city.

Stating that they would lend all support to the initiative of MLA M.K. Somashekar to demolish old houses and build new ones in their places, they warned of intensifying their protest if their demands were not met soon.

Applications invited for Tourist Taxi subsidy

Mysuru, Oct.25- The Tourism Department has invited applications from SC/ST and Backward Class candidates (baring 3B Category) who have passed SSLC and have LCV Driving License, for granting subsidy for purchase of Tourist Taxi.

The candidates must be in the age group of 20 to 40 years. The application forms can be obtained from the Department Office located in Hotel Mayura Hoysala Complex on JLB Road and the filled-in application forms should be returned along with necessary documents before Nov.23.

Two books on Chutuku Sahitya released

MyLAC Chairman H.A. Venkatesh is seen releasing books on Chutuku Sahitya at Engineers-India (IEI) on JLB Road in city recently as others look on.

Mysuru, Oct. 25 (PM&US)- District wing of Chutuku Sahitya Parishat and Koustuba Prakashana together had organised a function at The Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) on JLB Road here recently to release the books *'Sankranti Chutukugalu'* edited by *Chutuku Siri* Ratna Halappa Gowda and *'Prof. Wodeyar D. Hegde Avara Aaida Chutukugalu'* edited by Dr. M.G.R. Urs.

Former MLC and Chairman of Chutuku Sahitya Parishat Central Committee Thontadarya inaugurated the programme.

Presiding our the programme, littérateur Wodeyar D. Hegde opined that Chutuku Sahitya has a good place in Sanskrit and hence pointed out that getting a good grip over Sanskrit would help to come out with more Chutuku Sahitya in Kannada.

He added that Chutuku Sahitya is tough as a lot has to be conveyed through minimum words.

Writer Prof. K. Bhyravamurthy, MyLAC Chairman H.A. Venkatesh, Dasti Nursing College Founder-President Dr. Thimmaiah, writers Dr. M.G.R. Urs and Ratna Halappa were present.

Kalashri: Bal Bhavan invites entries

Mysuru, Oct. 25- Mysuru Bal Bhavan has invited applications for Kalashri Award-2017 to be awarded to the talented children between in the age group of 9-16 years.

The selection procession will be conducted on Oct. 28 at Jawahar Bal Bhavan in Bannimantap. Children can take part in drawing and painting, handicrafts and clay modelling, classical music and folk dance, vocal and instrumental music, Yakshana, acting and story, essay & poetry writing.

Students can also take part in new innovation and science article competition.

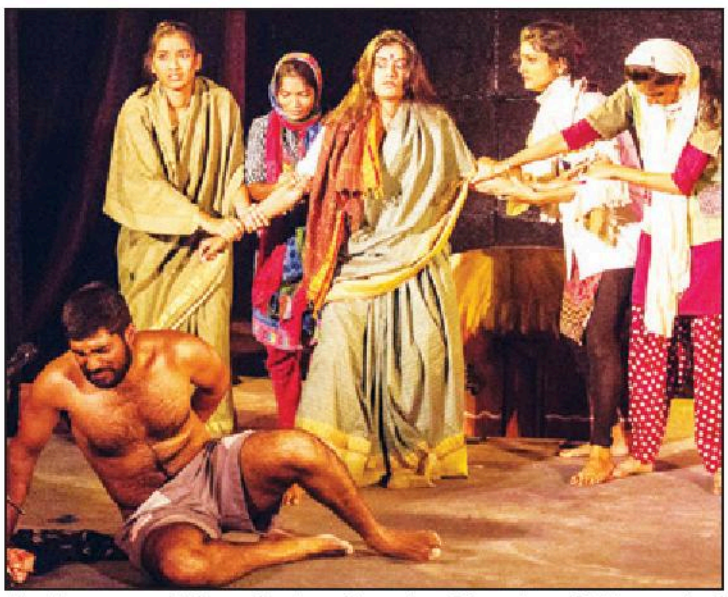
Last date for registration is Oct. 27. Bal Bhavan will only select two children from each category. Participating children must bring their own materials. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2495486.

Anukarana artistes present play *'Boneige Biddavaru'*

Mysuru, Oct.25 (SPN&US)- Anukarana artistes staged the play *'Boneige Biddavaru'* at Kalamandira on Sunday. The play, based on a story by T.K. Dayanand, was directed by Jeevankumar B. Heggodu; Music by Kishore & Krishna Chaitanya.

Launching the play, MLA Vasu opined that despite many hurdles, theatre artistes were staging meaningful plays to uphold the status of theatre. He pointed out that theatre was an excellent platform for exchange of culture, art and literature.

Music Director Hari Kavya, entrepreneur T. Shyam, Anukarana President Vijay Kumar were present.



Anukarana artistes staging the play 'Boneige Biddavaru' at Kalamandira in city on Sunday.

DC presents National Merit Award to city student

Mysuru, Oct.25 (US)- Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Foundation, coming under the Ministry of Justice and Empowerment, under its National Merit Award Scheme had selected Dhruti, daughter of Satish Chandra of city. The award carries a cash prize of Rs. 40,000 and a certificate which were presented by Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep recently. Joint Director of the Department of Social Welfare B.S. Prabha was present on the occasion.

Dhruti studied at Nirmala High School in V.V. Mohalla here and had secured 99.04% in SSLC examination.

Calling women entrepreneurs

Mysuru, Oct. 25- Karnataka State Finance Corporation (KSFC) has invited applications from women entrepreneurs to provide loans for setting up new Micro, Small and Medium Scale Industries or to develop the existing ones.

Those setting up new Micro and Small Scale Industries at a cost less than Rs. 5 crore, may avail loan up to Rs. 3 crore at 8% interest per annum.

Entrepreneurs belonging to SC/ST communities and willing to set up Micro, Small and Medium Scale industries may avail loan from Rs. 10 lakh to Rs. 10 crore at 4% annual interest.

For details, contact KSFC, Branch Office, No. 13 and 13/1, Kamakshi Hospital Road, Sarawathipuram, Mysuru or call Mob: 99457-26683.

Mandya ZP Pavilion at Dasara Expo

Mandya District in-Charge Minister M. Krishnappa and others taking a look at the exhibits in the Mandya ZP Pavilion at Dasara Exhibition in Mysuru on Monday.

Mysuru, Oct.25 (YDS&US)- The newly-opened pavilion of Mandya Zilla Panchayat at Dasara Exhibition was inaugurated by Mandya District in-Charge Minister and Housing Minister H. Krishnappa on Monday. He went around the pavilion and appreciated the presentation. He was accompanied by KEA Chairman Siddaraju, CEO Shashikumar and Mandya ZP officials.

The Mandya ZP pavilion showcases migratory birds of Ranganathittu bird sanctuary, Melukote Temple, Adichunchanagiri Mutt, KRS Dam, Shimsha Hydro-electric Generating Station, National Peacock Park of Nagamangala and several projects underway in the district.

Separate religion tag for Lingayats

Former MLC condemns

Dr. Shivanand Jamdar's statement

Thontadarya

Mysuru, Oct.25 (RKB&DM)- Former MLC Thontadarya has taken strong exception to the recent statement of retired IAS Officer Shivanand Jamdar that Lingayats were not Hindus and as such the question of Lingayats leaving the Hindu society does not arise. Addressing a press meet here on Monday, Thotandarya strong by condemned Jamdar's statement.

Pointing out that as per the Constitution, Veerashaiva, Lingayat, Jain, Sikhs, Buddhists etc, belonged to Hindu religion, the former MLC said that all these don't have a separate religion tag and even the Courts have said that.

Wondering whether Jamdar was authorised to speak on behalf of the entire Lingayat community, he said that the Hindu Law very much applies to Lingayat community.

He asked Jamdar to realise his responsibility as a former bureaucrat and not to make irrepressible remarks that mislead the Hindu society.

Karnataka Madhyamika Shikshana Sangha's Nandish was present.

WORD OF THE DAY

Plenipotentiary

Pronunciation: Plen-uh-puh-ten-shee-er-ee, -shuh-ree
Meaning: Containing or conferring full power; invested with full power; as, "plenipotentiary license. It also means a person invested with full power to transact any business; especially, an ambassador or diplomatic agent with full power to negotiate a treaty or to transact other business.
Origin: The word Plenipotentiary derives from the Latin wordplenus, "full" + potens which means "powerful."

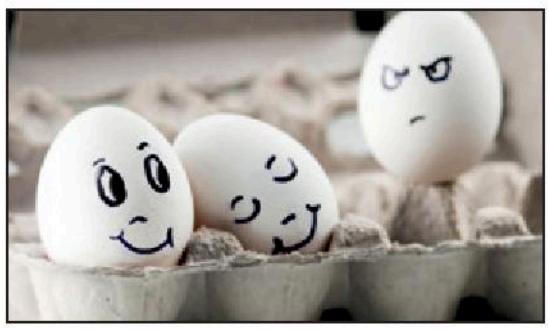
THE ODD WORD

Zedonk
An unusual cross between a donkey and a zebra.

IDIOM OF THE DAY

Eat your heart out

Meaning: To grieve; to be sorrowful; to suffer from envy or jealousy.



Origin: The origin of the idiom is disputed. Different schools of thought exist. While 'This will eat your heart out' suggests that the recipient of the taunt will have their heart, the core of their being, eaten out with desire, bitterness, or pain, the idiom from the 16th century 'to eat one's own heart' means to suffer in silence from anguish or grief.
The phrase "to eat one's heart out" appears as a formulaic phrase in the Iliad, meaning to experience extreme grief.
For example, a pop star preparing for a performance might look in the mirror, and liking what he sees, jauntily tip his head and shout “Eat your hearts out, fans!”
This phrase can also refer to when sorrow or longing dominates your emotions. For example, losing a race that you really, really wanted to win might cause you to eat your heart out, or wallow in grief.

QUOTE BOX

Do the difficult things while they are easy and do the great things while they are small. A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step. **—Lao Tzu**

RIDDLE THIS

What do you get when you cross an automobile with a household animal?

Answer: Carpet.

SUDOKU

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7		6			2		3	
9					5	6		
	2			9		4		7
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		3	5					4
	5		3			8		1
				6	1			

Answer to previous puzzle

6	8	7	9	2	1	5	4	3
5	2	3	8	7	4	6	1	9
4	1	9	6	3	5	8	2	7
9	6	8	1	4	3	7	5	2
7	4	2	5	6	9	1	3	8
3	5	1	2	8	7	4	9	6
1	9	6	3	5	8	2	7	4
8	3	4	7	1	2	9	6	5
2	7	5	4	9	6	3	8	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Some Assembly Required
4 Auto Flight Sys.
7 Violin's ancestor
9 Point of view?
12 Eleventh letter of Greek alphabet
13 Sun hat - "a rite" changed?
14 F1y a plane or an aircraft
15 Rules as a monarch
17 Desmond's pet name?
18 Berkshire racecourse
20 Order of St. Augustine
21 Gemstone
22 Made a different colour
23 Respectful submission
27 A lot of money is made here
28 Familial hostility
29 '60s drug briefly
30 Consumed some food
32 Karl Marx's ___ Kapital
35 Rejects an offer
37 Arid area
39 Hittite whose wife was coveted by King David
40 Caught a glimpse of
41 Military reconnaissance
42 Follows a food regime
43 Extra-terrestrials, abbr.
44 "Yen" anagram for famous French marshal

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

C	L	O	D	■	D	I	A	■	P	R	O	M
H	O	V	E	R	I	N	G	■	E	M	U	S
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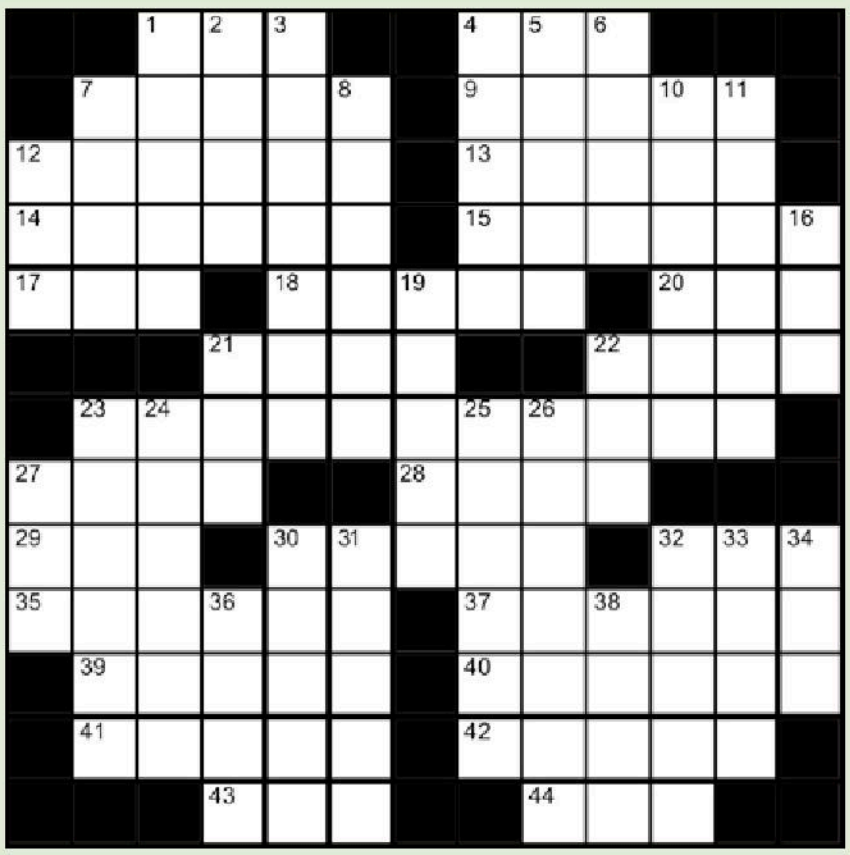
O	B	O	E	■	C	R	I	N	G	I	N	G
D	A	W	N	■	A	S	B	■	S	L	O	E

DOWN
1 In short the two matches prior to finals?
2 Priestly robes
3 Official bureaucratic procedure (3,4)
4 Prefix indicating star or heavenly body
5 Number of vehicles under one proprietor
6 "Sir I" change into an apparel?
7 Talk wildly
8 Julius, stabbed by Brutus
10 Fourth largest Japanese city
11 Superficial brilliance or splendour?
12 A young boy
16 Causing sorrow
19 Split or fissure
21 Frequently
22 ___ away with : got rid of or killed?
23 Capital of Asaam
24 Tolerate
25 Craved for
26 Adjusts the radio or TV to receive a particular frequency or wavelength (5,2)
27 Microwave Landing Sys.
30 Pass (a bill) into law
31 Fire residue
32 Divine being
33 Slayer of Adonis?
34 Standard in short?
36 Staple diet in most of South India
38 "Seep" anagram for a famous German admiral



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

MBY UFKYJ FG PTTVJPMY FARYJEPMWFD WR TFZZFDNO

TPNNYX TODWTWRZ AO MBFRY KBF BPEY DFM IFM WM

TODAY’S CLUE: F EQUALS O

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: It's kind of fun to do the impossible.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Sathya Harishchandra	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Tarak	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Dayavittu Gamanisi	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Kataka	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Bharjari	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Kariya-2	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Gayatri	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Raja The Great	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Mersal	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
HINDI			
Golmaal Again	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Crazy Lamhe	Uma	2520009	4 Shows

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Raja The Great (Te)	(S-2)	4.10 pm, 9.55 pm
Tarak (K)	(S-2)	10.30 am
	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Sathya Harishchandra (K)	(S -2)	1.10 pm
	(S-3)	7.00 pm
Mersal (Ta)	(S-1)	10.15 am, 1.20 pm
	(S-2)	7.00 pm
	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Secret Super Star (E)	(S-4)	1.30 pm, 4.15 pm, 7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Golmaal Again (H)	(S-1)	4.30 pm, 7.15 pm, 9.55 pm; (S-3) 1.25 pm
Dayavittu Gamanisi (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am

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Secret Super Star (E)	(S-1)	9.55 am, 12.55 pm, 3.55 pm, 6.55 pm, 9.55 pm
Golmaal Again (H)	(S-2)	9.50 am, 3.45 pm, 6.45 pm, 9.45 pm
Mersal (Ta)	(S-3)	10.35 am, 2.00 pm, 5.25 pm, 8.50 pm
Tarak (K)	(S-2)	12.50 pm
Sathya Harishchandra (K)	(S-4)	9.50 am, 6.40 pm
Raja The Great (Te)	(S-4)	1.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Dayavittu Gamanisi (K)	(S-4)	6.40 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

TV TONIGHT

ZEE TV

6:30 pm Bin Kuch Kahe
7:00 Sethji
7:30 Aisi Deewangi... Dekhi Nahi Kahi
8:00 Zindagi Ki Mahek
8:30 Piya Albela
9:00 Kumkum Bhagya

STAR PLUS

7:00 pm Tu Sooraj Main Saanjh Piyaji
7:30 Ye Hai Mohabbatein
8:00 Iss Pyaar Ko Kya Naam Doon?
8:30 Chandra Nandni
9:00 Naamkarann
9:30 Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai

SONY

6:00 pm Crime Patrol - Satark
7:00 Yeh Moh Ke Dhaage
7:30 Peshwa Bajirao
8:00 Mahabali Hanumaan
8:30 Pehredaar Piya Ki
9:00 Beyhadh
9:30 Kuch Rang Pyar Ke Aise Bhi

DISCOVERY

6:00pm River Monsters
7:00 HowDoTheyDoIt?
7:30 What Went Down
8:00 Wild Frank in Africa
9:00 Fast N' Loud
10:00 River Monsters
11:00 A Haunting

STAR SPORTS

9:30pm Cricket Live
10:00 New Zealand Tour of India 2017 H/ls : 2nd ODI
11:00 Follow The Blues
11:30 New Zealand Tour of India 2017 H/ls : 1st ODI

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

6:00pm Primal Survivor
7:00 World's Most Extreme
8:00 Savage Kingdom
9:00 World's Most Extreme
10:00 Inside: Indian Naval Academy
11:00 Year Million : Energy Beyond Earth

CN

6:00pm Oggy & the Cockroaches
6:30 Oggy & the Cockroaches
8:30 Oggy & the Cockroaches
9:00 Teen Titans Go
9:30 Horrid Henry
10:00 Ben 10
11:00 Dragon Ball Z

GEMINI TV

6:30 pm Ganga
7:30 Kula Deivam
8:00 Deiva Magal
8:30 Vamsam
9:00 Nandini
9:30 Vani Rani
10:00 Priyamanaval

UDAYA TV

6:30 pm Jo Jo Laali
7:00 Sarayoo
7:30 Avalu
8:00 Kaveri
8:30 Nandini
9:00 Jeevanadhi
9:30 Aramane

MOVIES TONIGHT

STAR MOVIES

5:12pm Penguins of Madagascar
7:04 Resident Evil
9:00 Chinese Zodiac

HBO

5:10pm Lights Out
6:50 War Dogs
9:00 Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen

WB

6:55pm Iron Man
9:00 Capture the Flag
10:36 The One

MAX

6:00pm Heart Attack
9:00 Main Hoon Lucky the Racer

ZEE CINEMA

6:18pm Dildaar: The Arya
9:00 Main Tera Hero
11:49 Autonagar Surya

CINEMA TV

4:30pm Mumbai Ki Kiran Bedi
7:10 Teleshopping
8:10 Paap Ko Jalaa Kar Raakh Kar

PIX

6:17pm The Mummy Returns
9:00 Rambo
11:04 The Fast And The Furious

UDAYA MOVIES

4:00pm Huli
7:00 Dhani
10:00 Namma Bhoomi

STAR GOLD

4:40pm Dhruva
7:55 A Gentleman: Sundar, Susheel, Risky
10:50 Nayak

EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 25)

Ramsons Kala Pratishtana: Bombe Mane, an expo of exquisite dolls from across India, Pratima Gallery, #91, above Aamrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **up to 7.30 pm.**

Satyadhyana Bhajana Mandali: 5th death anniversary of Ratnamma Raghavendra Rao, discourse on 'Dashama Skandha' (Krishna Leela) by Vidwan Vedavyasachar, Sri Raghavendra Swamy Mutt, Jayalakshmipuram, Mysuru, **5 pm.**

Chinmaya Mission: Jnana Yajna on Intelligent Living by Pujya Br. Sujay Chaitanya of Mangaluru, Abhinava Shankaralaya, Fort Mohalla, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Chatitable Trust: Vocal recital by Vid. H.S. Srigeri Nagaraj, accompanied by Vid. Dr. C.A. Nataraj on violin, Vid. P.S. Sridhar on mridanga and Vid. Sriram Bhat on khanjira, Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar, **6.30 pm.**

International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), Jayanagar: 'Damodara Deepotsava,' ISKCON premises, Jayanagar, **7.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (OCT. 26)

Sri Subramanyaswamy Temple, Visweshwaranagar: Skanda Shashti - Soora Samhara, Sankalpa, **6.15 am;** Abhisheka, **6.30 am;** Mahamangalarati, **10 am;** Prasada Viniyoga, **10.30 am;** Utsava, Temple premises, **6 pm.**

Ramsons Kala Pratishtana: Bombe Mane, an expo of exquisite dolls from across India, Pratima Gallery, #91, above Aamrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7.30 pm.**

Department of Studies (DoS) in Biotechnology, Microbiology and Biochemistry, Pooja Bhagavat Memorial Mahajana Education Centre, PG Wing of Mahajana First Grade College, KRS Road, Metagalli: Inauguration of one-day international meeting on 'Genomic instability and cancer,' Dr. A.G. Rajeev, Radiation Oncologist and Medical Director, The Radiant Institute, Mysuru, chief guest, MTA auditorium, **10.30 am.**

The Hobby Place and Sirigannada Odugara Okkuta: 62nd Kannada Rajyotsava, Quiz Contest for women on 'Karnataka land and language,' The Hobby Place, #34, Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, **10.30 am.**

Department of Social Work, Pooja Bhagavat Memorial Mahajana Education Centre, PG Wing of Mahajana First Grade College, Mysuru and Samruddhi Foundation, Mysuru: Inauguration of three-day workshop on 'Creating Gender Sensitive Educational Institutions,' Mahajana Education Society (MES) President R. Vasudeva Murthy presides, Samruddhi Foundation President Prof. R. Indira delivers introductory speech, Centre Director Prof. C.K. Renukarya and MES Hon. Secretary Dr. Vijayalakshmi Bhagavat chief guests, new PG auditorium, Pooja Bhagavat Memorial Education Centre, KRS Road, Metagalli, **11 am.**

Mysuru City Muslim Forum: Convention of Muslim community members to discuss the problems being faced by the community, Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, JD(S) Supremo H.D. Deve Gowda, KPCC President Dr. G. Parameshwara and other leaders will take part, MCC Grounds, opposite Al-Badr Masjid, Rajivnagar 2nd Stage, **11 am.**

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Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Sri Ramakrishna Stotram Achandala Pratihatarayoha,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Vocal concert by Vidu. T.S. Sathyavathi, accompanied by Vidu. Nalina Mohan on violin, Vid. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. Narayanamurthy on ghata, Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

Chinmaya Mission: Jnana Yajna on Intelligent Living by Pujya Br. Sujay Chaitanya of Mangaluru, Abhinava Shankaralaya, Fort Mohalla, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

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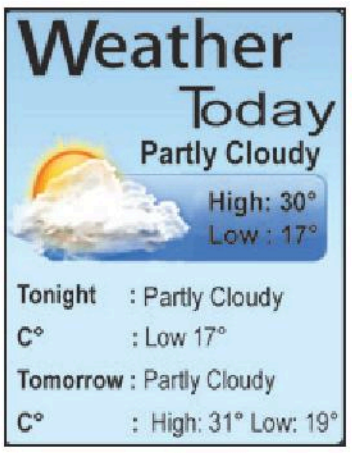
Workshop for SSLC students by Konkani Assn.

Mysuru, Oct.25- Konkani Christian Association is hosting a one-day workshop on 'Career Development and Plan of Studies' for tenth standard students at Konkan Bhavan, behind St. Joseph's Central School in Vijayanagar at 9.30 am tomorrow.

The workshop is open to rural students studying in Government Schools. MLA Vasu will be the chief guest.

For details, contact Ph: 0821-2402985 or Mob: 94493-23337, according to a press release from Konkani Christian Association.



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